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## For Fifth Year in a Row, PIC Group Earns Governor's Safety and Health Award at Ghent Generating Station

Resident contractor at KU's power plant worked nearly half a million hours without a lost-time incident

**FRANKFORT, Ky.** (Aug. 6, 2014) – The Kentucky Labor Cabinet today recognized the employees of PIC Group Inc. at the Ghent Generating Station with the Governor's Safety and Health Award. The 23 employees have worked 484,027 hours without a lost-time accident or illness, and have earned the award for the fifth year in a row.

Labor Cabinet Secretary Larry L. Roberts applauded the tremendous accomplishment.

"The people of PIC Group Inc. at the Ghent Generating Station deserve a great deal of respect for achieving this award five years running," said Secretary Roberts. "This is quite a streak, and it shows how much safety matters to everyone at PIC."

PIC Group Inc. provides various maintenance, repair, replacement, installation, engineering and technical services for the power generation equipment at the fossil steam power plants operated by Kentucky Utilities Company (KU) and Louisville Gas and

Electric Company (LG&E). In addition to the Ghent Generating Station, PIC provides maintenance at four other generating stations in Kentucky, including Cane Run and Mill Creek in Louisville, E.W. Brown in Harrodsburg and Trimble County in Bedford.

"PIC's service offerings all begin with safety," said PIC Group Inc. President Todd Grzech. "Our LG&E and KU maintenance personnel consistently demonstrate this PIC attitude and commitment to working safely. We are proud of their accomplishments, and look forward to continuing to receive this award annually as we service our customers in a safe and quality manner."

The Kentucky Labor Cabinet presents the Governor's Safety and Health Award in recognition of outstanding safety and health performance. An establishment may qualify for the award if its employees together achieve a required number of hours worked without experiencing a lost-time injury or illness. The required number of hours is dependent upon the number of employees. In the case of the PIC Group Inc. employees at the Ghent Generating Station, the requirement is 250,000.

Every establishment within the geographical boundaries of Kentucky is eligible, even if the establishment won the award the previous year. Eligibility is limited to one award during a 12-month period of time.

The award is a certificate mounted on a wooden plaque. The certificate contains the signatures of Kentucky Gov. Steve Beshear, Secretary Roberts and Department of Workplace Standards Commissioner Anthony Russell.

The Governor's Safety and Health Award program is part of Gov. Beshear's efforts to improve the health of all Kentuckians. The Governor launched <a href="kyhealthnow">kyhealthnow</a> in February as an aggressive and wide-ranging initiative to reduce incidents and deaths from Kentucky's dismal health rankings and habits. It builds on Kentucky's successful implementation of health care reform and uses multiple strategies over the next several years to improve the state's collective health.

For more on the Governor's Safety and Health Award, and for a list of past winners, click here.

For more on PIC Group Inc., visit www.picworld.com.

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responsibilities, power, and authority relating to labor, wage and hour issues, occupational safety and health of employees, child labor, apprenticeship, workers' compensation insurance, and all other matters under the jurisdiction of the Labor Cabinet. For more information, visit <a href="www.labor.ky.gov">www.labor.ky.gov</a>.

